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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/591,279
Filed: June 9, 2000
Title: Engineering β -Ketoacyl ACP Synthase for Novel Substrate
Specificity
Inventors: DEHESH *et al.*
Atty. Docket: 16516.117

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. a Supplemental Amendment;
2. 5 sheets of drawings (Figures 12-1, 12-2, 12-3, 12-4, and 12-5); and
3. a return postcard.

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